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Re: Letter of Protest filed by AMR
Sumter County Request for Proposal: RFP # 172-0-2010/AT
Emergency Ambulance Services

Dear Mr. Carmody:

In previous correspondence to you regarding American Medical Response, Inc.'s ("AMR") bid protest, I had indicated that absent resolution of the dispute, Sumter County would submit AMR's protest to the Department of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) for review, pursuant to Florida Statute §120.57. After further investigation and research, it is clear that Sumter County is not an "agency" as that term is defined in Florida Statute §120.52, and therefore, is not subject to the Administrative Procedures Act. Accordingly, AMR's bid protest will not be submitted to DOAH.

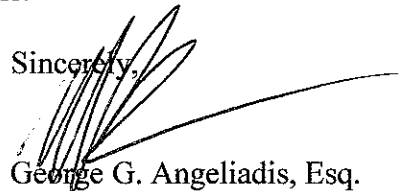
It should be noted that it is the County's position that all other requirements of the County's Purchasing Policy have been adhered to with regard to AMR's bid protest, and further, that the County has attempted to reach an amicable resolution of your client's bid protest in good faith. Unfortunately, the parties were not able to amicably resolve their differences. The basis for the County's decision to deny AMR's bid protest is set forth in Mrs. Howell's Final Findings, contained in correspondence forwarded to you on March 3, 2011. Mrs. Howell's findings and decision remain unchanged with the exception of the fact that AMR's bid protest will not be submitted to DOAH for an administrative review.

Please allow this correspondence to further notify you that on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, Bradley Arnold, the Sumter County Purchasing Agent and County Administrator, will provide a contract for services between the County and Rural/ Metro Corporation of

Florida, Inc. ("Rural"), as the successful bidder in Sumter County Request for Proposal: RFP # 172-0-2010/AT, to the Board of Sumter County Commissioners ("Board") for consideration for approval. In the event the Board approves the contract, AMR will have the opportunity to petition the Circuit Court in and for Sumter County, Florida, in the time provided by law, to issue a Writ of Certiorari prohibiting the aforementioned contract.

I apologize for any confusion this misunderstanding may have caused. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Sumter County, Florida

Cc: Honorable Sumter County Board of County Commissioners
Bradley Arnold, County Administrator / Purchasing Agent
Sandra Howell, Assistant County Administrator